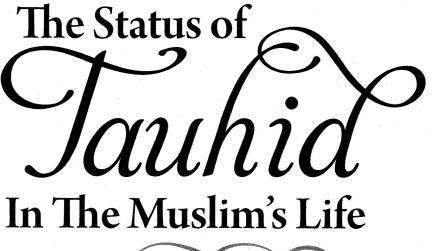
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Translator's Foreword بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

All praises belong and are due to Allah, the Lord of the worlds. May prayers and salutations be sent upon our Prophet Muhammad, and all of his family and companions, to proceed:

Hidden not to each and every Believer whose heart has been enlightened by Allah the importance, virtue and obligation of Tauhid, and how can this not be the case when Tauhid is the foundation and pinnacle of the religion of al-Islam?

Before you lies a translation of the article entitled "Makanatut-Tauhid fi Hayatil-Muslim" by our blessed shaykh, Abdur-Razzaq, the son of our father and shaykh, the Muhaddith of Madinah, 'Abdul-Mu'hsin Ibn Hamad al-'Abbad al-Badr, may Allah continue to bless them both with good health and well-being.

We thank Allah, the Exalted, for inspiring and aiding us to make a work so simple and concise, yet so important, beneficial and essential available to the daily English reader.

As for the author, shaykh 'Abdur-Razzaq, then I say: he is well known and respected in and outside of

Saudi Arabia for his in-depth knowledge and expertise in the field of 'aqidah, his constant teaching, countless da'wah efforts and activities, beneficial writings, astounding humbleness and impeccable character.

It is truly from the infinite favors of Allah upon me that the shaykh, may Allah preserve him, taught me in my first year of college at the Islamic University of Madinah, in the faculty of noble Hadith and Islamic studies. The shaykh taught us the first half of, "Kitabut-Tauhid", by Imam Muhammad Ibn 'Abdil-Wahhab, rahimahullah.

Moreover, this treatise of ours-along with many others- has been translated with the permission of the shaykh, may Allah reward well on our behalf.

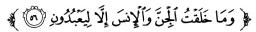
I ask Him, the Exalted in Might, the All-Wise, to accept this humble effort from me with good acceptance, allow it to be a beneficial contribution to the Islamic English library and to make my scale of good deeds heavy therewith on the Day of Resurrection; *ameen*.

The Translator Al-Madinah an-Nabawiyyah Shawwal 1432 A.H./September 2011 C.E.

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

The greatest and noblest of all goals and objectives is to believe and declare the oneness of Allah, the Lord of the heavens and earth. To acknowledge His oneness and single Him out in all acts of submission and humility which should be based upon total fear and hope. Prostrating and bowing unto Him and making your religion sincere for Him, the Sublime and Exalted. To declare yourself free and disassociated from all form of shirk, major and minor, outward and hidden.

This is the grand purpose behind the entire universe being brought into existence. Allah, the Exalted, says,



And I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship Me.¹

This is the wisdom behind Allah sending His honorable Messengers and revealing His great books.

¹ Surah adh-Dhariyat (51): 56.

﴿ وَلَقَدْ بَعَثْنَا فِي كُلِ أُمَّةٍ رَّسُولًا أَنِ اَعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُواْ اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُواْ اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُواْ اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُواْ اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُواْ اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُواْ اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُواْ

And We certainly sent into every nation a messenger saying, 'Worship Allah and avoid the taghut'.¹

And We sent not before you any messenger except that We revealed to him that, 'There is no deity worthy of worship except Me, so worship Me alone.'2

With Tauhid the slave can live a true life full of the good-pleasure of Allah, the Most Merciful, and successfully obtain His generous blessings. But without Tauhid the slave will live a life similar to that of beasts of cattle.

﴿ إِنْ هُمْ إِلَّا كَالْأَنْعَامُ بَلْ هُمْ أَصَلُّ سَكِيلًا ١٠٠٠ ﴾

They are only like cattle – nay, they are even farther astray from the path.³

¹ Surah an-Nahl (16): 36.

² Surah al-Anbiya' (21): 25.

³ Surah al-Furgan (25): 44.

He who doesn't have Tauhid is dead even though he walks on earth. The individual who actualizes and perfects his Tauhid is he who will live a real, true life. Allah, the Sublime and Exalted, says,

﴿ أُومَن كَانَ مَيْتًا فَأَحْيَيْنَكُ ﴾

Is he who was dead and We gave him life...?¹

In other words, We gave him life and revived him with Eman and Tauhid.

He, the Exalted, also says,

﴿ يَنَأَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ ٱسْتَجِيجُواْ لِلَّهِ وَلِلرَّسُولِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحْيِيكُمْ ﴾

O you who believe, respond to Allah and to the Messenger when he calls you to that which gives you life.²

With Tauhid there will be safe security in our countries and relaxation and rest of our bodies.

﴿ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ وَلَمْ يَلْبِسُوٓا إِيمَنَهُم بِظُلْمٍ أَوْلَتِهِكَ لَهُمُ ٱلْأَمْنُ وَهُم مُهْ تَدُونَ ۞ ﴾

It is those who believe and mix not their Belief with dhulm [wrong doing and oppression, i.e. shirk] for them there is security and they are guided.³

¹ Surah al-An'am (6): 122.

² Surah al-Anfal (8): 24.

³ Surah al-An'am (5): 82.

Allah, the Exalted, also says,

﴿ وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ مِنكُمْ وَعَكِمُلُواْ الصَّلِحَتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي ٱلْأَرْضِ
كَمَا السَّتَخْلَفَ ٱلَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيْمَكِنَنَّ لِمُمْ دِينَهُمُ الَّذِعَ ٱرْتَضَىٰ لَهُمْ
وَلَيُّكِذِّلُهُمْ مِنْ بَعْدِ خَوْفِهِمْ أَمْناً يَعْبُدُونَنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ فِي شَيْماً

Allaah has promised those among you who believe and do righteous good deeds, that He will certainly grant them succession in the land, as He granted it to those before them, and that He will grant them the authority to practice their religion which He has chosen for them. And He will surely give them in exchange a safe security after their fear provided that they worship Me and do not associate anything with Me."1

With Tauhid you will be happy and at rest. Allah, the Mighty and Majestic, says,

Whoever does righteousness, whether male or female, while he is a Believer- We will surely cause him to live a good life, and We will surely give them their reward according to the best of what they used to do.²

¹ Surah an-Nur (24): 55.

² Surah an-Nahl (16): 97.

He, the Sublime and Exalted, also says,

﴿ فَإِمَّا يَأْنِينَكُم مِّتِّي هُدًى فَمَنِ ٱتَّبَعَ هُدَاى فَلَا يَضِلُّ وَلَا يَشْقَىٰ الله ﴾

And if there should come to you guidance from Me- then whoever follows My guidance will neither go astray nor suffer from misery.

﴿ وَمَنْ أَعْرَضَ عَن ذِكْرِي فَإِنَّ لَهُ مَعِيشَةً ضَنكًا وَنَحْشُرُهُ وَوْمَ ٱلْقِيكَمَةِ أَعْمَىٰ الله ﴾

And whoever turns away from My remembrance – indeed, he will have a difficult life, and We will gather him on the day of Resurrection blind."¹

Allah, the Sublime, also says,



﴿ مَاۤ أَنزَلُنَا عَلَيْكَ ٱلْقُرْءَانَ لِتَشْقَىٰ ۗ ﴾

We have not sent down to you the Qur'an that you be miserable.²

In other words, We have only sent down to you the Qur'an that you and those who follow you enjoy happiness through the Qur'an.

¹ Surah Taha (20): 123-124.

² Surah Taha (20): 1-2.

With Tauhid your heart will be kept far away from all misgiving doubts, evil whispers and bad thoughts.

Through Tauhid the heart will experience its true tranquility, rest and repose. Allah, the Exalted and Sublime, says,

And this is the Tauhid of Allah,

¹ Surah an-Nas (114).

With Tauhid the demons will flee and run away whereas they won't be able to dwell in a place in which Tauhid is strongly and outwardly practiced.

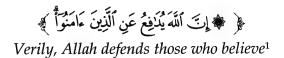
Whenever Shaytan hears the call to the prayer [al-Adhan] he takes off running while breaking wind.

The entire Qur'an expounds on the oneness, glorification and magnification of Allah, the Sublime and Exalted.

Ayatul-Kursi is the verse of Tauhid and a clarification of its conclusive proofs and clear evidences.

Whenever the Believer reads *Ayatul-Kursi* before going to bed there will be a protector for him sent by Allah who will guard him, furthermore, Shaytan won't come near him until He wakes up in the morning.

With Tauheed the slave will be safe –by Allah's permission- from the plot of the evil ones from among magicians and sorcerers.

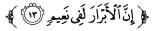


¹ Surah al-Hajj (22): 38.

﴿ وَكَانَ حَقًّا عَلَيْنَا نَصْرُ ٱلْمُؤْمِنِينَ اللَّهُ ﴾

And incumbent upon us is support of the Believers¹

With Tauhid the slave will obtain all good and happiness in this life and the next, for indeed *Allah*, the Sublime and Exalted, has written in His magnificent pre-ordainment that happiness and bliss will only be for the people of Eman and Tauhid. They will experience this happiness in their lives in the *dunya*, the grave and the Hereafter.



Indeed, the righteous will be in pleasure.2

Tauhid is the very first command to be fulfilled and the greatest obligation that the people should be reminded of.

Allah, the Exalted, says,

﴿ وَذَكِّرْ فَإِنَّ ٱلذِّكْرَىٰ نَنفَعُ ٱلْمُؤْمِنِينَ ۞ ﴾

And remind, for indeed, the reminder benefits the Believers.

¹ Surah ar-Rum (30): 47.

² Surah al-Infitar (82): 13.

﴿ وَمَا خَلَقْتُ ٱلْجِئَّ وَٱلْإِنسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ ۞ ﴾

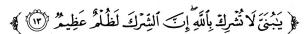
And I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship me.¹

The slave is in need of strengthening his Eman, renewing his Islam and updating his connection with his Lord, the Sublime and Exalted. The Prophet (***) said,

إِنَّ الإِيمانَ لَيَخْلَقُ فِي جَوْفِ أَحَدِكُمْ كَما يَخْلَقُ الثَوْبُ

"Indeed, Eman can be become worn out inside one of you just as a garment becomes worn out."²

In the vast sea of distracting acts of turmoil, torrential desires and stormy trials the people need to be firmly grounded and reassured upon Tauhid. Furthermore, the youth need a very strong upbringing and fortified cultivation upon it.



O my son, do not associate anything with Allah. Indeed associating partners with Him is great wrong.¹

¹ Surah adh-Dhariyat (51): 55-56.

² Collected by al-Hakim (1/4) on the authority of 'Abdullah Ibn 'Amr Ibn al-'Aas and he [Imam al-Hakim] said that its chain is sound. [TRANS]

We ask Allaah, the Sublime and Exalted, to give us life as sincere and devout monotheists and to bless us to be true Believers in Him. We beg Allaah to make us people who respect His rights and to protect us all from all forms of shirk, clear and hidden, large and small amounts.

¹ Surah Luqman (31): 13.

Appendix.

From the speech of Ibn Qayyimil-Jauziyyah regarding the status of Tauhid

Said the genius of Islam, Ibn Qayyimil-Jauziyyah, rahimahullah: "...Rather we will make a decisive statement by saying, every single verse in the Qur'an entails, proves and calls to Tauhid.

For the Qur'an is either information about Allah, His names, attributes and or actions. Thus, this is Tauhid of knowledge and information [i.e. Tauhid of *ar-Rububiyyah* and *al-Asma' was-Sifat*]. Or either a call to worship Him, alone without any partner and do away with everything that is worshipped besides Him, and this is Tauhid of intention and purpose. [i.e. Tauhid of *al-Uluhiyyah*].

Or either a command or prohibition, or a requirement to obey Him in those commands and prohibitions, and this is from the rights and perfection of Tauhid.

Or either information about Allah's kindness and generosity to the people of His Tauhid and obedience, that which He does for them in this world and how He will reward them generously in the Hereafter and this is the reward of His Tauhid.

Or either information about the people of shirk and how He punishes them in this world and the evil recompense that awaits them in the hereafter, hence, this tells us about those who have abandoned Tauhid.

So therefore, the entire Qur'an is about Tauhid, its rights, rewards, and about shirk, its people and their recompense..."

¹ Madarijis-Salikin (3/450).